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Say it ain't snow

WEATHER An early spring storm is expected to start in Halifax before noon today, with upwards of 25 centimetres of snow possible by tomorrow morning. A snowfall warning was issued yesterday by Environment Canada, with possible higher amounts of snow lo-METRO HALIFAX

Earth **Hour**

Earth Hour is Saturday, March 28 at 8:30 p.m. local time. Do your part to fight global warming by switch-ing off your lights for an hour. Pick up Metro every day for environmentally friendly coverage all week

• Going Green It's more than turning off the lights, Canada aims to outdo itself this year, pg 7 Tomorrow

How to be sure a beauty product is living up to its claims.

Riding the **Recession**

Looking for ways to save money and ride out the economic storm? Now through the end of March, Metro will share advice on how to cut down on expenses and navigate your way through the recession.

recession isn't doom and two of our series on businesses successfully coping with the downturn.

A 17-year-old male has been

In the early morning of Nov. 11, 2008, Patriquen Jr., 25, was found suffering from a single gunshot wound at 93 Orchard Dr. A short distance from the

now 20, was arrested and charged with attempted

attempting to flee the scene in a vehicle, which he jumped out of. Police say the 17-year-old charged also

fled the scene in a vehicle, a chase the RCMP pursued until it was deemed too dangerous to continue.

The RCMP continued their investigation and have now charged the 17-yearold, who was arrested Saturday while already detained

at the Waterville youth facility. He faces seven charges, including robbery, wearing a disguise and flight from police. He will be arraigned today in Nova Provincial

Basketball Playoff dreams dashed



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Halifax Rainmen guard Tony Bennett drives to the hoop past Manchester Millrats shooting guard Alex Owumi during the first half of yesterday afternoon's PBL game at the Metro Centre. Bennett led Halifax with 21 points, but it wasn't enough as the Rainmen fell 118-105. The Rainmen are now officially eliminated from the playoff race. Coverage, pg 12.

Ending racisn

Progress being made, but more work needed: Officer

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Police reconfirmed their commitment to end racism in front of a Baptist congregation yesterday.

It's a service held every year to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimina-

tion on March 21. Deputy Chief of Police Chris McNeil read the proclamation to the congregation at Cornwallis Street Baptist Church.

Const. Dean Simmonds, the HRP's equity diversity officer, Const. Simmonds ing, geared toward

said they are getting better, but there is work to be done.

"Halifax Regional Police understand when dealing with a subject like racism, it's important not to only recognize that racism exists, but we must also deal with this issue when it occurs," he said.

Last summer, the HRP dealt with a racism complaint after an incident in It was alleged a racist taunt sparked a brawl in June between several off-duty officers and two young black men. Const. Adam Stewart Whynott of the HRP and William Edward Drummond were charged with causing a public disturbance by fighting. Both pleaded not guilty in court. RCMP conducted an in-

vestigation and said they couldn't find evidence a racist statement was made.

Simmonds said the HRP has a number of community programs in place, in-cluding officer train-

ending racism. "By working on projects together, we get to know each other and continue to understand and appreciate one another's differences, he said

"I believe we have to go above and beyond our regular duties to fight racism. We have to get involved, not only through our work environment, but our personal life as well."

MORE COVERAGE, PG 2

Teen arrested and charged with attempted murder

charged with the attempted murder of Michael Patriquen Jr., who was shot last November at a house in Lower Sackville.

The 17-year-old, who can't be identified, is the second person charged

with attempted murder in the case.

scene, Sergio Davidson Bowers of Lower Sackville, murder and robbery. Bowers was arrested after

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Raising awareness on clean water

Nova Scotia Nature Trust has announced that United Nations senior adviser on water issues Maude Barlow is coming to Halifax on Oct. 15 to speak at its annual dinner. As well, the trust is partnering with Aveda for a month-long campaign to raise funds and awareness about clean water and conservation. METRO HALIFAX

Local



Konvict coming to Metro Centre

Akon, left, is coming to Halifax this spring, but not for a concert. The hip-hop recording star is also the CEO of Konvict Ringside, which is scheduled to hold a boxing card at the Halifax Metro Centre on May 2. A release by Konvict Ringside states Akon will be in attendance for the card and will help promote the event.

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Shining light on racism | HRM by Design

Education is the key to combating racism, said a participant at Talk About

Race Saturday.
Racism "starts in the school system and it ends in prison," said KC Brooks. The East Preston native was one of about 50 people at an International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination event hosted by The Hub in Halifax. The event was one of several taking place throughout the HRM to recognize the

Brooks lived in Toronto and Montreal before returning home.

"That was when I saw the racism that plagues Halifax," he said.

Many of his friends became involved in crime after getting "shunned" out of the education system.

"They felt higher learning wasn't for them; or better yet, they weren't for higher learning.

Marshall Williams, also from East Preston, said he only realized the role racism plays in Nova Scotia after he graduated from university and began re-



Sera Thompson, left, talks with KC Brooks, Marshall Williams and Sobaz Benjamin at Talk About Race on Saturday at The Hub in Halifax. The event was held as part of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

assessing run-ins he had as a boy. "When you look a boy. back on it, you go, 'wait a minute: What was that about?" he said. "Everybody who's not in a marginalized group is not racist, but a lot of times they may not understand the need for change because they can't see it until someone tells them it's

Filmmaker Sobaz Ben-

jamin grew up in the U.K., then lived in Grenada, Toronto and Nova Scotia.

"Race travels," the father of two said.

He internalized racism, at one point using skinbleaching creams. Coming to Canada, he found a society that said it celebrates multiculturalism, but "for most people, that's not their lived reality. It's a worthwhile ideal that we can aspire to, but we're definitely not there.

"For a long time, I want to do something about racism in Nova Scotia but I didn't know what," Sera Thompson, one of the event organizers.

"I often felt it wasn't my place. Something shifted for me; I took a little bold step and invited people together to have a conversation '

plans under fire

that have protected

JENNIFER TAPLIN jennifer.taplin@metronews.ca

HERITAGE The Heritage Trust wants to scrap HRM by Design altogether and replace it with their own plan: A Better Design.

Phil Pacey, president of the Trust, said HRM by Design would have a serious

negative impact on about "HRM by Design of 126 downtown her- would eliminate itage buildings. many of the

by De-would **excellent policies** HRM by Deeliminate many of the heritage buildings excellent policies that have in downtown protected her- Halifax." itage buildings Phil Pacey, president downtown Heritage Trust Halifax," said in a state-

ment Friday. The HRM's plan would provide financial incentives to rip down properties and build taller structures under

new height limits, he said. HRM by Design was recently given the nod by the Heritage Advisory Committee and will be shipped off to council for first reading

next month.

"It is further confirmation that the plan accurately reflects the vision of a vibrant, liveable and sustainable downtown as expressed by thousands of citizens and key stakeholder groups over the past two years," said Andy Fillmore, HRM by Design project manager, over a week ago.

> The Heritage wants to increase height restrictions on the more than one million square feet of vacant land and parking lots in the downtown. Ιt would also give developers an accel-

erated agreement process on that land. But it wants to get even tougher, and provide permanent protection for heritage properties. The Trust wants to set the height of the heritage buildings as the maximum heights allowed and provide grants and tax credits to help owners fix them.

Police seek public's help after possible abduction attempt

SEARCH Police are looking for help tracking down three men who tried to get two boys into their car.

Police said three males in a vehicle around Normandy Drive and Highland Avenue in Halifax approached two boys, both 11, just after 9 p.m. Friday.

The boys were walking in the area of St. Stephen School when they noticed a vehicle they believed was following them. Police said a male in the back seat asked the boys to get into the car. The boys refused and walked away.

The vehicle is described as a silver- or beige-coloured car. The boys were unable to give further description.

The male in the back seat is described as white, 25 to 30 years old with short hair. There is no description of the other occupants.

The area was checked and the vehicle could not be located. Anyone with information is asked to call Halifax Regional Police at 490-METRO HALIFAX

Face in the crowd Halifax Rainmen



If that's you on the left of the photo cheering on the home squad at yesterday's Rainmen game, you're our Face in the Crowd winner! Drop by the Metro office at 3260 Barrington St. to pick up your prize: a Rainmen Flex Pack.

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Blogs The It's Called Football show welcomes Bob Lenarduzzi to discuss the

Vancouver Whitecaps' MLS

Immigration Guidy Mamann details the hazards of overstaying a Canadi an visa

at metronews.ca/ immigration

Lotteries

Friday, March 20 Lotto Super 7: 10, 23, 28, 29, 31, 32 & 46. Bonus 3. Saturday, March 21

Lotto 6/49: 14, 19, 34, 37, 39 & 42. Bonus 47. These results are not official.

Two teens arrested for robbery

SEARCH Police say a knife was put to a man's throat during a Dartmouth robbery early Saturday morn-

A male told police he was walking in the area of Victoria Road and Queen Street in Dartmouth at about 2:40 a.m. Two males

that had been walking behind him put a knife to his throat and demanded he empty his pockets. A short search turned up two suspects.

Two 14-year-olds face robbery charges and will be held for a bail hearing. METRO HALIFAX

News in brief

ROBBERY Two men have been charged with robbery and firearm offences after a Needs Convenience store on Queen Street in Halifax was held up

early yesterday morning. The men indicated they were armed and took a sum of cash and cigarettes. Both will appear in court at a later date.

CRASH A 26-year-old man will appear in court to answer to charges of impaired driving, leaving the scene of an accident, breach of conditions

and driving while revoked, after a collision in which the driver of a second vehicle received minor injuries.

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Halifax's historical sites given \$10.7M



Money is being poured into Halifax Citadel, Georges Island and Fort McNab as part of a \$30-million infrastructure improvement project to national historic sites across Nova Sco-

Iim Prentice, minister of the Environand ment minister responsible Parks Canada, the made announce- Jim Prentice



ment Friday

in Halifax. Overall, \$4 million will go to the Halifax Citadel site, with \$3.5 million for the stabilization of about 370 metres of the counterscarp wall and associated musketry gallery. The other \$500,000 is marked for the roof recapitalization on the southern maga-

At Georges Island, \$3.5 million is going towards the construction of wharf facilities and to support the development of the island becoming an operational site, open to the public.

As for Fort McNab, \$2 million is going towards the stabilization of selected historic assets that will

Stewardship

 Environment Minister Jim Prentice also announced Friday that more than \$500,000 would be put toward Canada's Habitat Stewardship Pro-

Money will be given to Nova Scotia Nature Trust; the Halifax-based Canadian Sea Turtle Network: and Acadia University, for its various initiatives to protect the Banding's turtle and eastern ribbon snake.

lead to safe, unguided public access. In addition, another \$1.2 million is for the remediation of the former Department of National Defence petroleum handling and storage area.

The money, part of Canada's Economic Action Plan released during the federal budget in February, also includes \$14 million for repaving and widening of the Cabot Trail.

"(Parks Canada) has gone through their requirements in Atlantic Canada, specifically in Nova Scotia and we have addressed the priority items," Prentice told reporters after making the announcement.

"They are items at the top of list in terms of Parks Canada and the restoration of some of the facilities.

"This addresses the most pressing needs."

Book tackles bullying of kids with disabilities



Amber Doucette knows the suffering that bullied people with disabilities experience so well she wrote the book on it. Well, illustrated it, **anyway.**"I'm kind of an amateur

artist — I sell art online, but I've never actually done such a big project. I was really excited," Doucette said Friday at the launch of The Fountain of Harmony, a children's book she created with Kelsey McCormick, Adam Jones, Trevor Murphy and Briona Campbell.

The book grew out of a project headed by reachA-bility, a Halifax charity for people with all kinds of dis-

"When we chose the project, at first I don't think we thought it was really realistic. But then when we wrote the story, we saw how it could come together and it inspired me to meet the deadlines so we could get it done," she

"I'm hoping it will show some kids that it's not right to treat people differently just because they're not exactly how you are. Every-one's different; it doesn't matter."



bullying people with disabilities.

Project co-ordinator Emily Anderson said the book is available free for teachers and other education professionals who want a first-hand teaching tool about discrimination and bullying.

"The four co-writers are all living with disabilities and have been victims of bullying and the stigma in

society," Anderson explained, noting they started the book in November.

"We always hoped to get to this stage. There have been some struggles working as a group, but we're definitely excited."

The message of Fountain of Harmony is broad, she said: "The book is about acceptance - learning to ac-

Get your own

• To get a copy of Fountain of Harmony, contact Emily Anderson at vouth@reachabili ty.org, or call 429-5878.

cept yourself and also others in society, whether they have a disability or not."

On April 1, 2009 Nova Scotia's minimum wage rates will increase.

The minimum wage will go up from \$8.10 to \$8.60 per hour.

The minimum wage for inexperienced workers will rise from \$7.60 to \$8.10 per hour.

Inexperienced workers have less than 3 months experience doing the type of work they are hired to do.

Further increases to the minimum wage rate will take place in 2010.

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MacKay prefers Canadian Forces

Minister of National Defence Peter MacKay told reporters yesterday he is more interested in working with the Canadian military than becoming NATO's next secretary general, downplaying rumours that he may take that position. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Canada/World

Video stores thrive

Vendors of at-home pursuits earning despite downturn

Riding the Recession

Uncertain economic times have had a negative impact on just about everyone · except those who benefit from you staying at home.

Rogers Plus video stores haven't missed a beat with a declining economy.

'Despite the recession, business has been steady in comparison to the last year," said Harold Simons, manager of communications at Rogers Plus.

We really have not been impacted yet because movies and video games are a great way to entertain yourself at home.

That success even translates to alternative video

"You're always going to need sex."

Lindsay Allain, adult video store manager

stores, such as Excitement video in Halifax. The adult film store has also seen an up-tick in sales and rentals since the economy slid late last year.

'Sex just doesn't go away in a recession," said store manager Lindsay Allain. "You don't necessarily need a car. You can do away with that. But you're always going to need sex.

Those looking to brush up on culinary skills at home are helping prop up the bottom line of national grocery chains.

'Things are fairly stable in our business,

Michael Lupien of Sobeys.

"We're not laying people off. We are seeing an increase in sales in a lot of our prepared meals. People want value for their dollar, which means that they are cooking at home.

And what's unfortunate to some is a boon for others, as pawn shops are also seeing more people come in to sell high-end goods for a quick cash injection.

"We've seen about double the number of items come in due to the recession," said Mandy Motyer, a senior supervisor at Cash Canada Pawn Shop in Cal-

gary.
"A lot of people are coming in and telling us that they just lost their job and are looking to make some money somehow."

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Millbrook A family's farewell



Actor Liam Neeson, centre, with family, left to right, son Micheal Neeson, an unidentified person, sister Joely Richardson, an unidentified person, and niece Daisy Bevan arrive for the funeral of actress Natasha Richardson yesterday in Millbrook, N.Y. Richardson died at Lenox Hill Hospital on March 18 in New York City after suffering a ski injury at the Mont Tremblant resort in Montreal.

News in brief

POLITICS Canadians are losing their jobs at the rate of one every 30 seconds but Prime Minister Stephen Harper is incapable of feeling their pain, NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday. After speaking to the NDP federal council, Lavton said that while hundreds lose their jobs daily, Harper would rather talk about how the country is doing relatively well.

PROTEST The Sri Lankan government plans a protest to Ottawa for allowing demonstrations reputedly supporting Tamil Tigers such as the one in downtown Toronto a week ago, "To glorify a terrorist organization is totally misplaced," said Sri Lankan Human Rights Minister Mahinda Samarasinghe. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Man kills three officers in California shootout

land, Calif., killed three police officers and wounded two others Saturday in two separate shootings that began with a traffic stop and ended with a gun battle, police said

Lovelle Mixon, 26, was pulled over during a traffic stop in the early afternoon. Mixon, who was wanted for violating parole on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, opened fire on two officers, one of whom later

died, and fled. Officers found the suspect later in an apartment. When a Special Weapons and Tactics team forced their way in, he opened fire with an assault rifle. Mixon was killed in ensuing gunfire. RELITERS

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Obama facing more resistance

POLITICS A public furor over bonuses paid by firms bailed out with U.S. taxpayer money is fuelling resistance to President Barack Obama's ambitious plans to extend government intervention in the U.S. private sector.

Republican opponents say his commitment of huge sums to try to revive the ailing economy is driven by a belief in greater government intrusion in many areas, from healthcare to education, dubbing it socialism. REUTERS

News in brief

DEATHS Four people died in a stampede at a discotheque in a small Russian town when word spread that it was offering free entry on Saturday night, the local police spokesman said vesterday. Three 16-year-old schoolgirls and a 30-year-old man died in the crush, spokesman Valery Gorelykh REUTERS

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Now entering the blogosphere



—his morning I'm reflecting on what makes a life interesting.

There's a reason for this. Recently, Dianne Rinehart, my editor-in-chief at Metro, asked if I'd write a blog to go with my column. Now when an editor-in-

Now when an editor-inchief asks, "Would you like to ..." I snap to and say, "How high?" Usually leading them to ask, "What do you mean? What's that got to do with filing your column on time?" And then I say, "Um ... it's like you asked me to jump and I ..." And they say, "I knew hiring a humour writer was trouble. I wonder if that woman who writes about telling your fortune by reading bird droppings is still available." Something like that.

Anyway, this week I begin to blog. I'm willing to blog. I'm wanting to blog. I'm waiting to blog. The only thing keeping me from blogging is having no idea what the heck to blog about.

Not being a huge blog reader myself, I asked blog-savvy friends what one blogs about. Apparently, blogging is a chance to share all those ordinary everyday thoughts and experiences that no one will sit and listen to us talk

about, but are happy to spend hours reading online. One friend suggested,

"Anything can be interesting. What did you do this morning?"

Me: I spent 45 minutes trying to unglue teeth whitening strips from the paper backing, ending up having to pull 50 half unstuck strips out of my bangs. Is that a bloo?

Her: That's a Twitter. You have to work up to that. Another friend said, "Blog

Another friend said, "Blog about how you're different.

That's what's interesting."

Well, I'm a divorced, remarried lesbian living in a straight neighbourhood. One of my daughters is transsexual. I'm training to become a minister in a faith that traditionally would like to see my sort tarred and feathered. I work at an inner city parish where "success" means you're still alive. And at a mental health institute, where I have to be armed with a personal safety device in order to visit my clients. But frankly, in my world,

this is all old news.

And is it our differences that make our lives interesting? The most interesting thing my life experience has taught me is that we're really all the same. We all want to be loved. We all need hope. We all hope to be listened to.

I don't know if that's a blog or a Twitter. I do believe it's the truth.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer. She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

Views

Sharing times with your community



In times of disaster, we see communities pull together, as demonstrated with the Cougar helicopter crash off St. John's, the Bathurst basketball tragedy and the military deaths in Afghanistan.

These tragic moments bring us closer together and help us find our community.

My fiancé is from a small community south of St. John's. Every time I visit, my heart pings with envy for the strong community in which they live.

Living in Halifax, I have found it hard, as I come from Ontario, to make those kinds of connections. But I'm not giving up. I make friends and acquaintances whenever I can because I know someday I'll

need those individuals to be there for me, just as I hope to one day be there for them.

Which brings about two questions: Where do people go to find community? And have we stopped searching for it?

A community doesn't have to be comprised of neighbours and relatives, it can be the people with which you share a passion.

However, we have to do the hard things, too, not just the easy things. It is more important than ever to make the effort to get outside the walls of our homes and get involved with the people in our community.

Start small.

Whatever it is you decide to do, remember to share the good times as well as the bad with your community, and not only will you feel supported when you need it, it will, too.

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Going Green

How to mark Earth Hour

Here are some ways you can observe Earth Hour: Go outside and look at the stars; gather your family or friends for a candle-lit dinner; have an acoustic music jam; make a list of ways you could reduce your energy consumption every hour of every day. For more ideas, see wwf.ca/earthhour/25_ways_to_mark_earth_hour_2009.cfm.

It's more than just turning off lights

Canada and the rest of the world prepare for third annual Earth Hour

Farth**Tones**



arth Hour 2009 is almost upon us. What will you be doing and, more importantly, why are you doing it?

On Saturday, March 28, between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m., we are asked to turn off all non-essential lights and other power-using devices for the third annual

Earth Hour event.
Earth Hour started in 2007 in Sydney, Australia. By last year, other countries had jumped on the bandwagon including Canada, where more than 150 cities signed up to participate, which is one of the highest participation rates in the world. The Toronto skyline dimmed noticeably and hydro usage dropped 8.7 per cent. In Ottawa, they showed a four per cent decrease in hydro usage. In Halifax, the McDonald Bridge, city hall and Grand Parade Square all went dark.
This year, Earth Hour

are planned in many cities across Canada. These events include a

free concert and stargazing in Grand Parade square with telescopes available for use and free beverages (bring your own reusable mug). For more information about these and other events, go to wwf.ca/ earthhour.

This year, Canada looks poised to outdo its 2008 performance with more than 200 cities already signed up to participate. Canada currently ranks No. 1 in the world in terms of cities signed up for Earth Hour with 208 cities. We are followed by Greece (185) and Australia (172). Lights on major landmarks will be dimmed as Canadians vote with their light switches to show that cli**EarthHour**

mate change is important to us.

Speaking of voting, we find it ironic that Canada has more cities than any other country signed up for Earth Hour, however, our government's policy on global warming is lukewarm at best. We have backpedalled on our ratification of the Kyoto Protocol and now with a new forward thinking administration in the U.S. we face the prospect of trailing be-hind even that traditional digger-in of heels on climate change, the U.S. of A.

We need to decide if we are serious about combating climate change. Are we just participating in Earth Hour for the "cool" factor because it's endorsed by celebrities, we like free concerts and lighting candles is fun anyway? Or are we willing to put resources into sustainable energy generation and into helping existing industries cut their carbon outputs?

Meeting our Kyoto obligations is not going to be painless. Are we willing to deal with the pain?

Most importantly, are we willing to tell Ottawa that in spite of all our economic woes, we still care about the environment and that we will not accept them turning their backs on it?

Or will we just turn the lights back on at 9:30 on March 28 and go about our

Sophia Dore is an environmental scientist with Conestoga-Rovers & Associates. Andrew Laursen is an assistant professor at Ryerson

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TODAY'S RESOURCES, TOMORROW'S LEGACY

Iraqi businesswomen push for government support

Iraqi businesswomen urged the government on Saturday to support them in their push for a greater share of the reconstruction business that is expected to flourish in Iraq now that the violence is subsiding. REUTERS

Business



Companies tackle labour bill

workers to unionize but is strongly opposed by U.S. corporations. The card check" legislation would let workers form a union when a majority of employees sign authorization cards. That would change the cur-rent practice in which workers usually vote on unionizing. REUTERS

Business in brief

LAWSUIT Washington Mutual Inc., the failed U.S. savings and loan company, has sued the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for well over \$13 billion US in connection with the loss of its banking operations, which was acquired by JPMorgan Chase & Co.

JEWELRY Italy's jewelry sector, the world's top exporter, will see more gloom this year with falling output and export sales, participants at a trade fair said on Saturday.

OIL Iraq will invite international companies to invest more than \$2.5 billion US in building a 150.000-barrel-per-day oil refinery in the southern province of Maysan, a senior local official said yesterday.



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Focus moves to fresh water

Resource on the wane: Forum

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And, in another sense of green, is there money to be made in a time of water scarcity?

The answer to both questions, according to environmental activists watching a global forum on wa-

ter, is yes.

The weeklong meeting in Istanbul, Turkey, ended yesterday on International World Water Day, an annual event that focuses attention on sustainable man-

Did you know?

 More than one billion people lack access to clean . . . water worldwide.

agement of fresh water.

What was clear at this year's World Water Forum was the notion that clean water supplies are waning due to a warming world.

And according to the World Health Organization, there is a high return on investment in clean-water projects: Every \$1 spent water and sanitation can bring economic benefits averaging between \$7 and \$12.

Obama team predicts rebound

FORECAST The Obama administration is "incredibly confident" the U.S. economy will rebound within a year, a top adviser said yesterday before a critical week in efforts to flesh out and sell the president's recovery agenda.

"We will be seeing signs the economy is turning around," Christina Romer, head of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, told the Fox News Sunday program. RELITERS

Infrastructure funding:

Nova Scotia municipalities are now able to apply for a share of \$32 million in funding for environmental, economic or community infrastructure projects under the communities component of the Building Canada Fund.

Businessman not running for office:

Jon Stanfield, a Truro businessman with family ties to Nova Scotia's Progressive Conservatives, says he won't run for the party in Truro-Bible Hill in the next election. He is president of Stanfield's Ltd. and a great nephew to former federal party leader Robert L. Stanfield.

Transportation workers say they're needed:

Transportation employees facing spring layoffs say the provincial government should be doing more to keep them working, especially with the amount of roadwork being planned.

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What's Happening on the Dartmouth Waterfront?

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An **Open House** is being held to give the community an opportunity to find out more, including:

- · Alderney 5 Geothermal Project
- · Waterfront Development Corporation Ltd.
- · (Harbourwalk Trail, Shubie Pedestrian Bridge, Mural Art Project)
- · Shubenacadie Canal Commission
- · Upcoming Events & Activities at Alderney Landing
- Downtown Dartmouth Business Commission
- · HRM Regional Trails Program
- HRM by Design
- · HRM Planning (downtown development projects and proposals)
- · Highland Games and Scottish Festival
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EASY MONEY WEEKDAYS

Monday, March 23, 2009

Anderson, Calve end season with medal haul

Jasey-Jay Anderson and Caroline Calve capped a big weekend for Canada at the final snowboard World Cup event of the season in Italy yesterday with gold and silver in the men's and women's parallel giant slalom, respectively. METRO NEWS SERVICES

ports

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Jennifer Jones keeps an eye on the Americans yesterday.

Canada tested at curling worlds

CURLING Jennifer Jones faced her first serious challenge yesterday at the world women's curling championship in South Korea. The Winnipeg skip overcame a shaky start to earn an 8-5 win over Liudmila Privivkova's Russia rink. Jones opened the day yesterday with a 10-3 thumping of Deb McCormick of the U.S., in a game that went just eight ends.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMEN' YESTERDAY'S RESULTS



Bruins clinch Northeast

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Michael Ryder and Marc Savard each posted a goal and one assist, as the Bruins clinched the **Northeast Division title** with a 4-1 victory over New Jersey in Boston yes**terday.** Chuck Kobasew and Mi-

lan Lucic also scored for the Bruins, who last won a division crown in 2004 and also opened up a five-point lead over the Devils for the top spot in the Eastern Conference with 102 points but don't play again until next Saturday at Toronto.

Tim Thomas picked up



Boston's Mark Recchi, top, is congratulated by teammates Michael Ryder and Marc Savard after scoring vesterday.

the win by making 41

"I think what happened

tonight is something, definitely not everything. It was certainly something where we took a step in the right direction," said Bruins head coach Claude Julien.

"We found a way to win that. There's still nine games left. Jersey has some games in hand and they're playing extremely well.

Martin Brodeur took the loss, just his second since returning from injury in late February, allowing all four goals on 30 shots.

The Bruins played the third period on their heels, outshot by the Devils by a 17-3 margin, but Thomas stopped every shot which came his way to lock up the

Rautins sparks Syracuse into Sweet 16

Eric Devendorf scored 21 points and Cana-dian Andy Rautins added 17, as Syracuse advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament with a 78-67 victory over Arizona State at American Airlines Arena

Rick Jackson chipped in 13 points and Jonny Flynn contributed 11 points with seven assists for the Orange (28-9), who are seeded third in the South Region and will play Oklahoma in the regional semifinals on Friday in Memphis.

Arizona State trailed by

as many as 15 in the second half, but Abbott hit a pair of three-pointers to fuel a 15-4 run.

The sec-

ond of those pulled the Sun Devils within 61-57 with 6 1/2

minutes remaining. Rautins, the son of Canadian men's coach and of Toronto Raptors broadcaster Leo Rautins, answered with a three-pointer for the Orange and, after two ASU free throws, Devendorf drained two from beyond the arc to give Syracuse a 70-59

edge with just over four minutes to play. "Eric and I, we shoo sail well game," R2 didn't shoot the last said

came out and were stroking it well today. That's

shooters do, they bounce back and they stay confident. Syracuse

open a close game early with a 15-5 run. Devendorf ignited the burst with a three-pointer for a 14-10 edge and Rautins canned a pair

from outside the arc to cap the surge, giving the Or-ange a 26-15 lead with 6:42 remaining in the half.

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Syracuse guard Jonny Flynn saves a ball against Arizona State yesterday.





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Monday, March 23, 2009

X-Women place fifth

The host St. Francis Xavier X-Women placed fifth at the Canadian Interuniversity Sport hockey championship yesterday in Antigonish. The McGill Martlets won their second straight title, beating the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks 3-1 in the final. METRO HALIFAX

Rainmen out of the running

Loss to Millrats ends playoff hopes

MATTHEW WUEST

12 sports

The Halifax Rainmen's goal of hoisting a championship banner this year has fallen well short of the mark.

The Rainmen, a team loaded with all-star calibre talent, were eliminated from the Premier Basketball League playoff race yesterday with a 118-105 loss to the Atlantic Conference-leading Manchester Millrats at the Metro Cen-

tre. The Rainmen, 10-9, had hoped to take the PBL by storm after dropping out of the American Basketball Association last March. They had gone 12-20 in

their inaugural season. "We have to hold our head up, everybody in Hali-fax," said Rainmen forward Eric Crookshank. "Last Eric Crookshank. "Last year, it was a horrible league, we didn't win many games, and we never beat Manchester or (the) Vermont (Frost Heaves). This year, we did some good things, showed some good things."

With a crowd of 3,743 looking on — the fourth

looking on — the fourth highest in franchise histo-- the Rainmen built a solid 61-52 lead at half-time with countless alleyoops and dunks. But that lead fell apart in

the second half, as the Millrats took over the game with a 35-20 run in the third quarter and finished

with a 22-point edge in the

final 24 minutes. The Millrats, playing without top scorer Desmond Ferguson, turned to Marlowe Currie, who had too many open looks and went 7-of-9 from three-

point range for 30 points. Crookshank said the Rainmen "slacked off on" their defence and already had a W chalked up in their heads.
"We got overconfident in

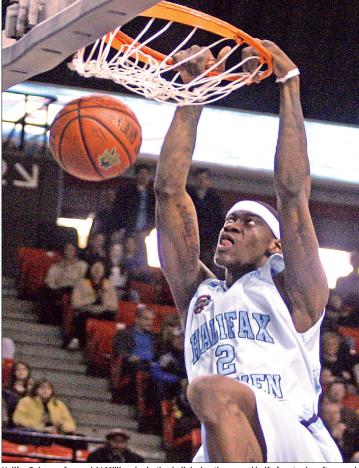
the second half," Crook-shank admitted. "A lot of guys thought the game was over already and it wasn't. I'm not saying it was me, I'm not saying it was other people, but you could tell in our body language.
"We thought that little lead we had was the end of

the game, and that's a great team that will fight to the end."

Tony Bennett finished with 21 points for Halifax, while A.J. Millien added 19. Crookshank posted a 15point, 14-rebound double-double and also had five assists. Reggie George hit for 16 points in his debut at the Metro Centre.

As it turned out, a win wouldn't have mattered, as the Wilmington Sea Dawgs' 110-91 win over the Detroit Panthers later that night would have sealed Halifax's fate any-

The Rainmen wrap up their season next weekend with back-to-back games against the Montreal Sasquatch.



Halifax Rainmen forward AJ Millien dunks the ball during the second half of yesterday afternoon's PBL game against the Manchester Millrats at the Metro Centre. Millien scored 19 points in the loss as the Rainmen fell to the Millrats 118-105.

QMJHL playoffs get underway

QMJHL Former Dartmouth Subways forward Michael Kirkpatrick was among the opening-weekend scoring stars as the QMJHL playoffs got underway on Friday and Saturday.

Kirkpatrick had two goals and two assists but his Saint John Sea Dogs dropped a pair of games to the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles in the best-of-seven first round.

The Moncton Wildcats have jumped out to a 2-0 series lead over the P.E.I. Rocket in the other all-Atlantic Division matchup, while Drummondville, Shawinigan, Ouebec, Rimouski and Gatineau are also halfway to firstround sweeps.

Montreal and Rouyn-Noranda are tied 1-1.

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Wheelchair curling championship starts

CURLING The Canadian wheelchair curling championship opens today in Lower Sackville, with 10 teams from across the country participating. Enfield's Mike Fitzgerald of the host Lakeshore Curling Club represents Nova Scotia, while Dartmouth's Richard Brown enters as the host rink. Action begins at 4

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Liverpool closes gap on Man U

SOCCER Steven Gerrard scored a hat-trick as Liver-pool maintained their stunning recent form by crushing Aston Villa 5-0 at Anfield on Sunday to close the gap on English Premier League leaders Manchester United to just one point. Two of Gerrard's goals came from penalties, with Dirk Kuyt and Albert Riera adding the others as Liverpool, who beat Manchester United 4-1 last weekend, ensured the title race remained wide open. Liverpool, who last won the title in 1990 and seemed out of contention a few weeks ago, moved one point behind United, who lost 2-0 at Fulham on Saturday but have a match in hand. Chelsea, beaten 1-0 at Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday, slipped back to third. Arsenal, 3-1 win-ners at Newcastle United on Saturday are fourth on 55 points while Villa, who have now gone eight matches without a win in all competitions, remain in fifth with their Champions League hopes diminishing. RELITERS

World Cup Dartmouth boarder takes bronze



Dartmouth's Sarah Conrad poses after winning bronze in the half-pipe in the final World Cup snowboard event of the season in Valmalenco, Italy, on Saturday. It marked the 24-year-old Olympian's second career World Cup podium finish, adding to a silver medal she captured last March in Stoneham, Que

Rainmen castoff makes playoffs with new team

Halifax BASKETBALL The Rainmen might not be going to the Premier Basket-ball League playoffs, but a

former fan favourite is. Kadiri Richard, a popular member of the Rainmen's inaugural roster in 2007-08, has helped the Wilmington Sea Dawgs qualify for the PBL post-season. The Sea Dawgs edged the Rainmen out for the final wildcard spot yesterday.

Richard, one of the best shot-blockers in minor-league basketball, was re-leased by the Rainmen in the off-season. Despite pleas from a pocket of fans, owner Andre Levingston said he wanted to find a more multi-dimensional replacement.

Richard continues to stay in contact with his former teammates in Halifax, particularly Eric Crookshank. best friends. 'We're

buddy. We do a lot of trash talking. I wish we could have met up in the wild-card (game). I would have dunked on him."

Crookshank said, "He's my

Richard averaged 3.1 blocks per game for Halifax last season along with 21.7 minutes, 4.7 points and 5.5 rebounds. This season, Richard is third in the PBL with 2.3 blocks per game and averages 21.9 minutes, 5.9 points and 6.8 rebounds.

Crookshank said having a close friend in the playoffs is the next-best thing to be-

ing in the playoffs himself. "Kadiri told me, if we in the playoffs, you in the playoffs," the 30-year-old said. "I get excited when he has eight points, seven blocks. It's like we're sharing emotions."

> MATTHEW WUEST/ METRO HALIFAX

The recently announced University of Victoria-based Oceans Network Canada Centre for Enterprise and Engagement will manage two highly sophisticated underwater laboratories, which will improve the ability to plan for and respond to sea-based disasters. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Cage-free eggs at Brock

Brock University in Ontario's Niagara region has become the 12th post-secondary institution in Canada to adopt a cage-free egg purchasing policy. Brock announced its decision Wednesday, saying it is committed to serving 100 percent cage-free eggs in all campus food facilities. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Four Olympics and counting



rchitecture critics marvel at the look of the new Richmond Olympic Oval. But the speedskaters who whip around the corners and look up at the clock to check their time only

And that's the responsibility of Mark Messer. He's the chief plant manager and ice and facility specialist for the Olympic Oval in Calgary, and is helping out at the new B.C. venue too.

care about one thing: The

The 48-year-old helped design some of the technical aspects of the new facility and will monitor the ice during next year's Olympics. It'll be his fourth Olympics — he spent 40 days straight in Turin in 2006.

Originally from Saskatchewan, Messer grew up in Calgary a mechanically minded kid. He

The **Lowdown**

Job title: Ice specialist Education/training: On-thejob learning, plus courses in refrigeration and building operations

Best Part of the Job: "When you see the joy in the athlete's faces when they get a personal best time or a world record and it's on our ice, the ice we made to get them there."

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did an apprenticeship as a heavy-duty mechanic but got laid off from his job in 1982 when the construction market dried up.

He got hired by the Saddledome when it opened in 1983 and learned on the job how to make ice for the Calgary Flames. He went to the Olympic Oval when it opened in 1987 and learned about speed-skating.

Over the years, he took courses on refrigeration and ice-making equipment. Five years ago, he got promoted into his current position.

"To be good at this job, you have to have an open mind, be creative and open to new things," says Messer. He's questioned some traditional ice-making techniques and his experiments have led to numerous new ways to make fast, clean, smooth ice for both speedskaters and hockey players (his facility has a long-track oval and two international size rinks for hockey and short track skating).

He's learned, for instance, that highly purified water works best for long track skating, while water with minerals and impurities left in it leads to better short track skating

ing.
These days, his job entails monitoring the ice by looking at computer reports from under-the-ice sensors, by checking it



If you want to know about ice, ice specialist Mark Messer is the man to see.

personally and talking to skaters and coaches. He adjusts the humidity in the building and works with his ice maintenance staff to achieve a smooth, fast surface.

He drives a Zamboni himself at least a few times a week, more lately in Richmond as he's been training staff there.

While he's an expert on

ovals and loves being not a racer himself. He's around speedskaters who strive to be the best, he's plays once a week.

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What a Millennial student campus will look like

An article in the recent issue of Planning for Higher Education examines how today's students — Millennials — are influencing campus design. Millennials' comfort level with technology and team-oriented nature are fuelling the need for multipurpose space for group activities. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Companies inundated with resumés

Today's economy is fuelling record activity in job search. In January, CareerBuilder.com had 25.7 million unique visitors come to the site, the highest in company history. The average number of applications to jobs on the site over the last three months increased 25 per cent compared to last year.

In a recent wide-scale survey, CareerBuilder.com found that the vast majority of human resources managers (78 per cent) reported at least half of the resumés they receive from various recruitment resources are from unqualified candidates.

Nearly one-in-four human resources managers said they receive, on average, more than 75 resumés for each open position; 42 per cent receive more than 50 resumés.

Thirty-eight per cent of human resources managers report they spend one to two minutes reviewing a new application; 17 per cent spend less than one minute.

Compiled here are some tips from Rosemary Haefner, vice-president of human resources at Careerbuilder.com:

employment opportunity

March 30th

• Human resources managers serve on the front lines of a company's recruitment efforts and are often the gatekeepers of the interview process. Because they can receive a large volume of applications, you may only have a matter of seconds to make a lasting impression.

• You should always have a current resumé and portfolio ready to go because you never know what the next day will bring whether it's a weak or healthy economy.

• Fifty-one per cent of human resources managers reported they use an applicant-tracking systems to screen and manage their resumés. It's important to incorporate keywords from the job posting into your resumé because it will increase your chances of appearing near the top of the employer's ranking of the most relevant candidates.

Many workers, especially those operating in



Because many people will be applying for any and all job openings, make sure your resumé will stand out from the rest.

industries that have experienced mass layoffs, are looking to new industries and professions to find opportunities. In these cases, your best option

may be a functional resumé, which lists experience by skill categories rather than chronologically.

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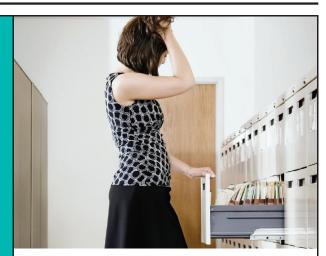
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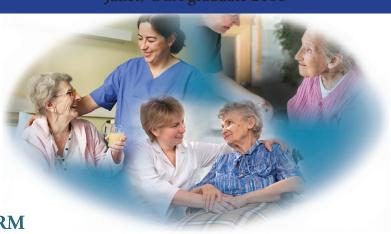
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Hamilton laces them up again

After becoming the second contestant fired from this season's Celebrity Apprentice, Olympic champ Scott Hamilton announced this week he is returning to his day job: Ice skating. PEOPLE.COM

Entertainment

Beatty sued

Tribune Media Services has filed a lawsuit against Academy-award winning director and actor Warren Beatty to recover motion picture and television rights to comic strip character Dick Tracy. REUTERS

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Box office

- 1 Knowing: \$24.8million US
- 2 | Love You, Man: \$18 million
- 3 Duplicity: \$14.4 million
- Race to Witch Mountain:
- 56.7 million
- The Last House on the Left: \$5.9 million
- **Taken:** \$4.1 million
- Slumdog Millionaire: \$2.7 million
- Madea Goes to Jail: \$2.5 million
- Coraline: \$2.1 million REUTERS

Making fun of the news

IAN JOHNSTON

for Metro Canada

Making fun of the news seems like a no-brainer. You need material? All you got to do is open a newspaper or switch on the TV.

But according to comic Colin Mochrie, it can be tricky sometimes.

"I remember after 9-11, for a long time it was hard to come up with a funny angle on that particular news item," says Mochrie, who was a cast member on This Hour Has 22 Minutes from 2001 until 2003. "We eventually did by focusing on the hysteria that resulted afterward."

"It was an odd time. I remember doing an improv tour, and you'd do a Bush joke and immediately lose 50 per cent of the audience. They'd boo."

Mochrie will return to the faux anchor desk this week as a guest on CBC's The Hour, delivering The News, the talk show's nightly look at the world of entertainment.

Comic Sean Cullen kicks off the guest anchoring tonight, followed by Mochrie (Tuesday), Gilson Lubin (Wednesday), and Nikki Payne (Thursday).

"We just thought it would be fun," says The Hour host George Stroumboulopoulos.

"One of the things we do on our show is make sure Canadian talent has a home. We only have two interview spots, so we thought — how can we get them on the show? Hey — let's get them to do the The



The Hour's George Stroumboulopoulos with Colin Mochrie.

News. Do what I do."

Stroumboulopoulos says his talk show, which combines interviews with headlines and commentary, can be funny. But don't go mistaking it for a comedy show.

"We can do observation, we can point out the obvious, we can make jokes, or provide a nuisanced look at something. But we're not a comedy show. But in there, if the audience finds something funny, that's great." The host says he likes to

The host says he likes to change things up on his show and looks forward to what the comics bring to the table.

"We have our writers,

"We just thought it would be fun."

The Hour's George Stroumboulopoulos

but they'll bring whatever they bring. We'll work on it with them. But no one needs to tell Sean Cullen or Colin Mochrie what to do."

Mochrie can't see himself doing nightly commentary on a show like The Hour or The Daily Show with Jon Stewart.

"It's certainly a good way to get your point across," he says. "But it sounds like work to me. I'm lazy. I'd get on the computer to write and get distracted by solitaire."

The Hour airs Monday-Friday at 11 p.m. on CBC.





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Progressive side of Iran

Honeymoon in Tehran

Author: Azadeh Moaveni Publisher: Random House Price: \$30 (Hardcover)

In this intimate memoir, journal-Azadeh Moaveni presents two very differ ent faces of Iran On the



surface, she sees the fundamentalism in the stern ascension Book**Picks**

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.

But through her reporting, she meets a host of characters representing a progressive Iran, that express views against the country's oft-stereotyped class divisions. In a country she only meant to work in. Moaveni finds love, marriage and a family before being presented with whether to stav in a varying Iran or leave to protect her loved ones.

The Vagrants

Author: Yiyun Li Publisher: Random House Price: \$28 (Hardcover)

In The Vagrants, Gu Shan rocks her native Chinese town Muddy Waters. The young woman has protested against Communism in the country during the late 1970s, a time when defection equalled death. As she appears centered in a stadium awaiting execution, the onlookers who had a

connection to her recall their own impressions

of Shan. Through her parents and individuals she's affected in her counterrevolutionary actions, like Nini - born crippled after Shan kicked her pregnant mother's stomach, a picture of Shan and the reflection of individual corruption on a society are con-

> BRIAN COULTON/ FOR METRO CANADA

Reality TV star Goody dies of cancer

CELEBRITY Jade Goody, a one-time dental assistant whose final days were as closely chronicled in the

media as her controversial appearances on reality television. died of cervical cancer yesterday. The 27-



year-old mother of two, who married her boyfriend in a televised ceremony only last month, died in her sleep at her home in Essex, southeast England.

"Jade died at 3:55 a.m. this morning," her tearful mother Jackiey Budden told reporters yesterday.

"Family and friends would like privacy at last." Even Prime Minister Gordon Brown, who had commented on her illness, joined the tributes that poured in after her death. saying his thoughts went out to her family.

Goody shot to fame in 2002 after appearing in Big Brother. REUTERS





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Saturday Night Divas
It's not Saturday night, and it's
not October either. But breast
cancer awareness shouldn't be
confined to a single month. In
this new special, several top
female singers take the stage
to support the battle against
breast cancer. They include breast cancer. They include Celine Dion, Chaka Khan, Nata-sha Bedingfield, Alicia Keys and Girls Aloud. 10 PM on BRAVO



Sophie
Are they worried she won't be able to "forever hold her peace"?
When Andre (Lyriq Bent) invites
Sophie (Natalle Brown) to his wedding to Kim (Rachael Crawford) in New York, Rick and Matt (Sebastian Spence, Jeff Geddis) insist on accompanying her to make sure she doesn't do anything foolish. Back home, it's contract renewal time for Estelle (Sara Botsford) in the new episode "Wedding Bell Blues." 8:30 PM on CBC

Intervention

Intervention
Sharon, a 51-year-old grandmother, is a creature of compulsions, an out-of-control shopaholic who has undergone numerous cosmetic surgeries to feel
better about her appearance.
She also is a self-harmer, bear-She also is a self-harmer, bear-ing bruises on her thighs and stomach. Recently, Sharon felt compelled to drown one of her dogs (she didn't follow through on it), which leaves her daughter faring for the safety of Sharon's granddaughter. 10 PM on A&E



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Dre - Crack A Bottle



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Jonas Brothers singer Joe Jonas may be facing flak over a photo showing him slanting his eyes in what some speculate is an attempt to mock Asians. Fellow Disney star Miley Cyrus drew anger over a similar photo earlier this year. METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrity Buzz

Sex tapes and the other woman? Keira's recession tip

ed on Rihanna with a modfemalefirst.co.uk alleges.

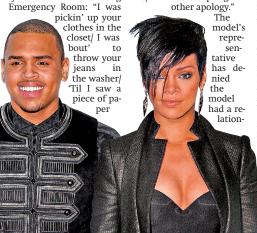
The 19-year-old singer – who has been charged with felony assault and making criminal threats following his alleged assault of Rihanna last month - was having a relationship with 27-year-old model Natasha Ellie, the website says.

has been claimed Natasha sent the threepage text message - initially reported to be from someone who Chris "had a previous sexual relationship with" — which sparked Chris

and Rihanna's argument, during which he allegedly punched, and choked the singer until she was unconscious

has been having problems with this girl for a long time. Rihanna even reached out to Natasha, but she denied every-

Natasha may even have been mentioned in the lyrics to Rihanna's song Emergency Room: "I was



found this a bit shockin'/ And some receipts here that say you went shop-You bought some Nike shoes/ But why you buyin stockings?/ Boy how could you lie to me?/ I thought you would die for me/ I'm not accepting an-

firmed the pair met in Miami two years ago. Meanwhile, rumours are

flying that Rihanna and Chris Brown made a sex femalefirst.co.uk adds.

The pair are said to have filmed themselves engag-ing in a series of "kinky"

A source told Star magazine: "Chris and Rihanna enjoy an aggressive love life that would shock many people. Rihanna loves dressing up — including as a dominatrix and role playing. They both have kinky sides."

The source added: "Ri-

hanna has no issues with her sexuality. She can be really out there. But she'd be mortified if her friends and family found this out.

"Rihanna isn't always the little goody-twoshoes everyone thinks is, and Chris she doesn't want or need another scandal.'

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rents shoes to satisfy her footwear fetish, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The global economic downturn has forced The Duchess star to cut down on the number of designer high heels she buys, so she has started borrowing shoes instead.

The year-old actress said: "I think when I young and I suddenly started earning a bit of money and I could actually afford

to buy shoes. I got very excited and bought a lot. I mean a lot!

"I haven't bought any in quite a while. Now I just rent them for the day. They give them to me for the day and I give them back in evening, which is good."

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Lindsay's career revival not on top of Seth's list

CAREER Seth Rogen is refus-ing to return Lindsay Lohan's calls.

The 22-year-old is keen to revive her acting career by working with the Knocked Up actor, but is finding it hard to get in touch with him, femalefirst.co.uk ports.

She told Nylon magazine: "We're trying to get Seth Rogen for this project, but Seth won't call us back. So call back. Seth, if you're reading

this

"I'm talking to lots of people. One is Sean Penn - I spoke to him again the other day."

If she struggles to land any roles, Lindsay may pursue other avenues including modelling.

She said: "I love doing photo shoots. I mean, if I could just sign with an agency and do adcamvertising paigns and model more, I'd do because that that's fun for me. That's not work." METRO SERVICES

Ford, Flockhart make it official

MARRIAGE Harrison Ford reportedly proposed to his girlfriend of seven years, Calista Flockhart, last month, according to People Magazine. Ford reportedly gave Flockhart a glitzy diamond engagement ring while on a family vacation with her son, Liam, over Valentine's Day weekend.

It was previously reported that the couple recently filled paperwork for a marriage licence



Madonna wears the pants?

Madonna has banned her boyfriend from answering his phone in front of her femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 50-year-old singer argued with lover Jesus Luz, 22. after he took a call while she was in the same room, and has now restricted him to accepting

emergency calls only.
A source said: "She just turned on him. She told him it was rude for him to take a phone call in front of her. He stood up for himself and they had quite a heated argument.

'Madonna agreed to let him answer the mobile when she's around, but only in emergencies

"His family claims they phone whenever always know when he's with her because they The source added can't get him on the to Britain's Daily phone. And it's true. Mail newspaper: He'll see his phone "If her phone rings and she ringing and he just has to let it go. wants to take However. b the call. she'll do Madonna lows herself to it. This is chat away not a relaher tionship on of equals." METRO

Paris' fling hears wedding bells

SMITTEN Although they've only been dating for a month, The Hills star Doug Reinhardt is reportedly so keen on Paris Hilton that he plans on asking her to marry him. "Doug with smitten

with her," a source says, according to Germany's Bild. "He's already found the perfect ring, asked her father for permission and is now waiting for the right time to pop the question METRO WORLD NEWS

to spend the rest of his life





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Kelly's struggle with painkillers

Paris and wants

ADDICTION Kelly Osbourne help, I would die. I'm getting a says she would have second died if she hadn't gone chance at my career and I want to rehab. femalefirst.co.uk reports. be present for it." Kelly — who is engaged to model The TV star, who recently spent a month in Worrall a U.S. treatment facility, Luke decided to seek checked in to an Oregon help after her addiction to rehab painkillers centre spiraled out in Ianof control. uary, She said: with-"I knew if I 011f didn't disclos-

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ing the reason for her stay. The 24-year-old star, who was previously treated for

an addiction to painkillers in 2004 and 2005, claims she is now sober for the first time since she was a teenager.

She said: "I had my tonsils taken out when I was 13 and they gave me liquid Vicodin. I found, when I take this, people like me. I'm having fun, I'm not getting picked on. It became a confidence thing.'

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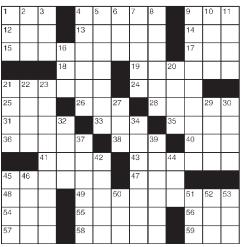




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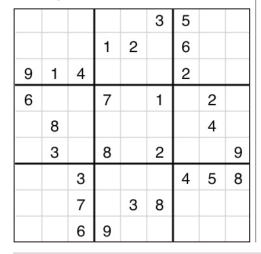
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Crossword across

1 Some time -4 Aesopian story 9 Bribe 12 Violinist's need 13 Forcefully 14 Mine output 15 Lawyer, in the 17 Confederacy leader 18 Opposite of 'trans-' 19 Idea 21 Missing

24 Hit with an

open hand 25 Brazilian resort 26 Joke 28 Lascivious 31 Right angles 33 Poorly lit 35 Wear out 36 Cut corners 38 Talk and talk and talk 40 The Red or the

Black 41 Dweeby type 43 Tenant 45 Maine city

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47 Heavy weight 48 Previous night 49 Card game for recluses? 54 In medias 55 Foolish 56 Conventual 57 Wife's address 58 Lukewarm 59 Homer's neighbor Flanders

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Crossword down

1 Tummy muscles 2 Sticky stuff 3 Pussycat's partner 4 Up against 5 1839 mutiny site 6 Slugger's prop

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ry 10 Sandwich cookie 11 Hammerhead part 16 Capades locale 20 Lacking slack 21 War god

22 Swindle

23 Reliability

27 Showbiz job

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34 007's quaff 37 "Cheers" 39 Started a computer

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17-21 minSmart

21-25 minNot bad

25+ min.....Keep practising

2 tsp (10 ml) olive oil 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt

SAUCE INGREDIENTS:

Skillet Chicken

Orange Sauce

CHICKEN INGREDIENTS:

with Rosemary-

2 shallots

1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt 1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) grated orange zest 1/2 tsp (2 ml) fresh

rosemary, minced 1/4 tsp (1 ml) pepper 2/3 cup (150 ml) orange juice

1 tbsp (15 ml) orange marmalade

1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice 1 tsp (5 ml) cornstarch blended with 1 tbsp (15 ml) water METHOD:

1 Heat oil in large skillet over medium heat. Sprinkle chicken with salt and cook until golden brown

on one side, about 5 minutes. Turn chicken and cook until golden brown and cooked through, about 5 minutes. Transfer to plate and cover loosely with foil.

2. Add shallots to pan and cook, stirring, until light golden, about 3 minutes. Stir in salt, orange zest, rosemary, pepper, orange iuice and marmalade and boil. Stir in lemon juice. 3. Stir in cornstarch mixture and cook, stirring, until sauce is slightly thickened, about 1 minute. Slice chicken and serve with sauce spooned on top.

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Horoscopes

ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Be proactive when dealing with a simple issue. Everybody can

understand a definite decision. A bit of luck is followed by a move

LIBRA **SEPT 23-OCT 23**

A friendship develops with a spectator. Unexpected info causes the fulfillment of a dream. A swindler comes to

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21 A big man wants to stay out of things. Solving a crime is up to you. A disappointed stranger gets in the way.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Good plans are disrupted by smugness. A motivated person will be punished after an oversight. Speak softly and people will listen.

GEMINI

 (π) MAY 22-JUNE 21 Be flexible if offered different job duties. A younger friend in a bad mood is tiresome. Toss out stale ideas when dealing with the public.

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 minGenius

13-17 min.....Scholar

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21 Scout around to find some good luck. A loan will be repaid. Asking questions will lead you to greater awareness.

CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22

A miserable man seeks your help. Save money by buying a sale item. Don't be friendly to someone's little ogre.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

Someone will turn heads at a meeting. Don't harass your relatives. Don't go to dangerous places

JULY 23-AUG 23

You'll hear an astounding statement. A creative thinker rushes into a bad situation. Others are on your side if times get tough.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

Act fast to make your mark. Do not complain about a stranger. Someone bores you with banal chatter.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22 Your convictions determine what you get. A man comes to perk everyone up. An excuse is discovered to be a lie.

AVATAR VENUS

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FFR 19-MARCH 20

Respond quickly when some-one is asking for help. Family problems will generate a guilty look. A woman needs to talk things out.

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MARCH 23, 1956: Pakistan becomes the first Islamic republic in the world.

MARCH 23, 2001: The Russian Mir space station is disposed of, breaking up in the atmosphere before falling into the southern Pacific Ocean near Fiji. METRO NEWS SERVICES



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